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COHEN BARNES, Mayor

ATTEST:


Ruth A. Scott, Executive Assistant

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**CAPITAL ASSISTANCE
APPLICATION**

July 2021

INTRODUCTION

Required application items are listed on the attached checklist. The applicant will be advised of any missing or supplemental information required with respect to checklist items, or other supporting documentation. The Department considers the application as representing the applicant's intent to undertake the proposed project promptly, if approved.

In the course of its review and evaluation of an application, the Department may require the applicant to submit additional information in support of the proposed project. When the Department is satisfied that all information necessary for evaluation of the application has been submitted, a final review will be undertaken.

Once review of the application is complete, the Department will notify applicant of its intent to fund and program the selected projects.

Application for Capital Assistance Grant

Checklist

Instructions for this application are contained in Appendix E.

Below is a checklist provided to assist preparers of applications in meeting all of the requirements of the application process. All items are required unless otherwise indicated. Completed applications should be sent to the following address.

DOT.CH.OIPTransitDocs@illinois.gov

Check List

1. Confirmation of project included in TAMS
2. Completed Application Form (PDF)
 - A. Project Description
3. Completed Excel Workbook (Excel)
4. Public Notice (Appendix A)
5. Historic Preservation (Appendix B)
6. Opinion of Counsel (Appendix C)
7. Applicant's Governing Board Resolution (Appendix D)

Note: Include this checklist with the application submittal

**State of Illinois
Department of Transportation
Office of Intermodal Project Implementation**

Application for Capital Assistance Grant

Legal Name of Applicant City of DeKalb		Date of Application 8/24/21
Street Address, City, and Zip Code 164 E. Lincoln Hwy, DeKalb, IL 60115		
Contact Person Marcus Cox	Title Transit Manager	Telephone Number 815-748-2370

Please identify by name and title in the space below the chief officers of record of applicant's governing board, such as Chairman, President, Secretary, Treasurer or comparably designated officers (add additional page if necessary):

<u>Bill Nicklas</u> Name	<u>City Manager</u> Officer's Title
<u>Josh Boldt</u> Name	<u>Assistant City Manager</u> Officer's Title
<u>Cohen Barnes</u> Name	<u>Mayor</u> Officer's Title
<u>Marcus Cox</u> Name	<u>Transit Manager</u> Officer's Title

Applicant is a (please check one):

☒ Municipality
☐ County
☐ Corporation
☐ Mass transit district
☐ Not-for-profit**
☐ Other** _____

** For "not-for-profit" or "other" applicants, please provide a general description of applicant's services:

In support of this application, I offer the above data and attached supporting documents as required. I certify that the statements herein and in the supporting documents are correct and complete.

City of DeKalb

Applicant

8/25/2021

Date

Marcus Cox

Name of Authorized Official

Transit Manager

Title

Signature

Attest

The City of DeKalb hereby applies to the Illinois Department of Transportation for a Capital Improvement Grant. Required resolutions, certifications and other documents in support of this grant request are attached and are considered a part of this application.

A. Project Description (attach additional pages if necessary)

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Appendix A: Public Hearing Notice

The public hearing notice below was published in the DeKalb Daily Chronicle on August 11, 2021 and August 19, 2021.

Notice of Public Hearing

City of DeKalb

RE: Rebuild Illinois Capital Assistance Grant Application for a Transit Operations, Maintenance, and Transfer Facility within the DeKalb Urbanized Area.

I. Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the City of DeKalb.

Date/Time: Monday, August 23rd, 2021 at 6:00pm

Room: Yusunas Meeting Room

Place: DeKalb Public Library

For the purpose of considering a project for which financial assistance is being sought from the Illinois Department of Transportation, pursuant to its Capital Grants Program. The project is generally described as follows:

- A. Project Description: A Transit Operations, Maintenance, and Transfer facility to house all City and Contractor owned equipment and vehicles used in the service of public transportation. All transit representatives of the City of DeKalb public transit system would report to and work out of the facility.
 - B. Relocation: Relocation Assistance will not be required.
 - C. Environment: This project is being implemented to minimize environmental impacts.
 - D. Comprehensive Planning: This project is in conformance with comprehensive transportation planning in the area.
 - E. Elderly and Handicapped: The facility included in this project will be accessible to the elderly and handicapped.
- II. At the hearing, the City of DeKalb will afford an opportunity for interested persons or agencies to be heard with respect to the social, economic, and environmental aspects of this project. Interested persons may submit orally or in writing evidence and recommendations with respect to said project.
- III. The City of DeKalb requests that any hearing-impaired person wishing to attend this Public Hearing notify Sabrina Kuykendall at 815-748-2369 at least one week before the scheduled hearing date so that arrangements can be made to provide an interpreter.
- IV. A copy of the application for a state grant for the proposed project will be made available for public inspection on the City of DeKalb public transit website beginning Friday, May 15th. Individuals who would like to review a hard copy of the application may contact the City representative listed below.

Sabrina Kuykendall

Transit Planning & Grants Coordinator

1216 Market Street, DeKalb, IL 60115

815-748-2369

Sabrina.Kuykendall@cityofdekalb.com

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Notice Content

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Appendix B: Historic Preservation For Fixed Facility Projects Only

The City of DeKalb has not formally selected a site for the Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility; therefore, this process has not yet begun. The City's contracted architectural and engineering vendor, Stantec Architecture Inc., will assist with the site selection process. At the time that a site has been identified, the Deputy Historic Preservation Officer will be notified and the information below provided.

Basic Review Information Requirements

If the project can be considered one of those projects shown in the attached list as having no effect on historic preservation, please simply indicate same.

On the other hand, in order to request the comments of the State Historic Preservation Officer concerning possible project effects on cultural resources for purposes of the National Historic Preservation Act or the Illinois State Agency Historic Resources Protection Act, the following information should be provided:

1. Description of proposed undertaking.
2. Name of managing, funding, or licensing agency (state or federal).
3. Name of satellite agencies involved in project (state and federal).
4. Project address(es); street, municipality, and county.
5. Map (USGS 7.5 minute series topographic) of project location, and project site plan, if applicable.
6. Current photos of all standing structures within the project area (no Xerox).
7. Project plans and specifications if applicable.
8. Participating federal, state, and local funding sources/programs.

This information should be addressed to:

Deputy Historic Preservation Officer
Preservation Services Division
Illinois Historic Preservation Agency
Old State Capitol
Springfield, IL 62701

Appendix B (Continued)

Projects with no effect on Historic Preservation

1. Purchase or rehabilitation of rolling stock.
2. Equipment purchases and installation.
3. Replacement / installation of railroad crossing signal systems.
4. Rebuild / resurface an existing parking lot as long as no enlargement occurs.
5. Construction of bus turnouts of less than one acre on existing right-of-way.
6. Construction of bus layover facilities of less than one acre on existing right-of-way.
7. Construction of passenger stations / shelters of less than one acre on existing property where no demolition occurs.
8. Construction of sidewalks on existing right-of-way.
9. Parking deck replacement or expansion (vertical).
10. Underground fuel storage replacement / installation on transit property.
11. Rehabilitation work done on existing facilities less than 40 years old (garages, stations, rail yards, buildings, structures, electrical, signal, and communication systems).
12. Replacement of ballast, ties, and rail on existing right-of-way.
13. Replacement of bridges less than 40 years old where no more than one acre of new right-of-way is required.
14. Construction of pedestrian canopies.
15. Engineering / planning studies for the classes of action included above.

The City of DeKalb will complete the necessary Historic Preservation process when the site selection process has been completed.

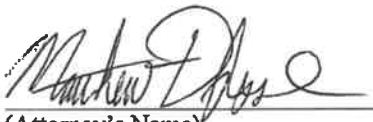
Appendix C: Opinion of Counsel

Opinion of Counsel

I, the undersigned, am an attorney, licensed by and duly admitted to practice law in the State of Illinois and counsel for and attorney for the City of DeKalb. In this capacity, my opinion has been requested concerning the eligibility of the City of DeKalb for grant assistance under the provisions of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois (Act), 20 ILCS 2705-305. You are hereby advised as follows:

1. The City of DeKalb is an eligible recipient as defined in state regulations.
2. There are no provisions in the City of DeKalb's charter or by-laws or in the statutes of the State, the United States of America, or any other local ordinances that preclude or prohibit the City of DeKalb from making said application for or contracting with the State for the purpose of receiving a State capital improvement grant.
3. The undersigned has no knowledge of any pending or threatened litigation, in either Federal or State courts which would adversely affect this application, or which seeks to prohibit the City of DeKalb from contracting with the State for the purpose of receiving a State capital improvement grant.

Based upon the foregoing, I am of the opinion that the City of DeKalb is an eligible recipient under the provisions of the Act, and that it is fully empowered and authorized to apply for and to accept the grant from the State.

Signature: 
(Attorney's Name)

Attorney for: City of DeKalb

Date: 8-2-21

Appendix D: Governing Board Resolution

RESOLUTION 2021-073

PASSED: AUGUST 23, 2021

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COHEN BARNES, Mayor

ATTEST:


Ruth A. Scott, Executive Assistant

Appendix E: Instructions

These instructions have been developed to assist agencies in completing the application form and in complying with program requirements. Applicants should review the requirements carefully. Failure to comply with any requirements may delay or disqualify applications from consideration.

CHECKLIST

Use this page as a check-off list of the items enclosed in the application package. Mark each item with a check as it is completed. Mark any item(s) not required with "N/A" (not applicable).

PREPARING THE APPLICATION FORM

Applicant - Name of applicant organization, must be a municipality, county, or transit district or otherwise designated as eligible by state legislation.

Date of Application – Use anticipated application submittal date reflected on Page 3 of Application and referenced in *Appendix D: Governing Board Resolution*.

Address - Show the agency's complete mailing address.

Contact Person - Identify the name, title, and phone number of the person responsible for completing the application form.

Project Description - Describe the nature, size, location, and limits of all elements of the proposed project scope; for equipment, describe its use. If the scope-of-work proposed for grant funding is part of a larger project, describe its relationship to the larger project and whether this scope can function on a stand-alone basis. Indicate owners of record for all property required for the project. Explain any adverse impact the project may have on the environment. Attach site plans, conceptual plans, aerials, or photographs if available.

Project Justification - Indicate why the proposed improvements or equipment are necessary. Current conditions including any operational, design and capacity deficiencies should be discussed. Describe how the proposed improvement will ameliorate such conditions. Describe how the equipment will either expand current capabilities or replace other equipment. Emphasize as appropriate, accomplishment of program goals of improving access to, and reducing congestion at transit facilities. Applicants are advised to focus on project justification within the context of benefits to the transit system and its patrons.

Proposed Project Budget - Show line items with estimated costs by type of activity (appraisals; legal services; equipment procurement; land acquisition; demolition; contract and/or force account engineering, construction, construction management). Explain the basis for the cost estimate. A 10% contingency line item may also be included.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Please use Appendix A for all types of capital projects. Sample Opportunity for Public Hearing and Public Hearing notices are attached as Appendix A.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Projects undertaken with state funding provided by the Illinois Department of Transportation are subject to the requirements of the Illinois State Agency Historic Resources Preservation Act [20 ILCS 3420/1 et seq.]. In compliance with this statute and appurtenant interagency agreements, applicants must either:

1. Identify the appropriate project which is considered to have no effect on historic, architectural or archeological resources and thus need not be reviewed under the Illinois State Agency Historic Resources Preservation Act; see Appendix B for a listing of those types of projects that are considered to have no effect; OR
2. Submit documentation from the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency (IHPA) that the undertaking will have no effect on historic, architectural, or archeological resources (information required by IHPA for its review is contained in Appendix B); OR
3. Submit documentation of an agreement between IHPA and the applicant regarding action that will be taken to accommodate any historic, architectural, or archeological resource.

OPINION OF COUNSEL

An opinion of the applicant's legal counsel is required stating that the applicant is legally organized, is empowered (eligible) to apply for, and receive the requested grant, and that there is no pending or threatened litigation that would adversely affect the applicant's ability to receive the requested funds. A sample Opinion of Counsel is attached as Appendix C.

GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION

A resolution must be passed by the applicant's governing board authorizing the filing of the application and execution of required grant agreement. A sample Governing Board Resolution is attached as Appendix D.



164 East Lincoln Highway
DeKalb, Illinois 60115
815.748.2000 • cityofdekalb.com

City of DeKalb Rebuild 2021 Application Funding Explanation

The City of DeKalb's Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility is partially funded. Below is a summary explaining funds that have been acquired and allocated, and funding that is still needed.

There is a large gap in the funding required for the construction phase of the Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility. The City of DeKalb is requesting a total of \$12,000,000 from the Illinois Department of Transportation's 2021 Rebuild Illinois grant program. Although this funding request would not fulfill the full funding necessary to complete the construction phase, staff is prepared to seek additional federal and state funding opportunities in the future.

Below is a table of funds showing funds acquired and funds requested.

Line-Item Activity	Total Project Cost	Rebuild 2021 Grant Request	Federal Funds Acquired	Future Grant Requests	State of Illinois Funds Acquired	Local Funds Acquired
Building Construction	\$21,000,000	\$9,500,000	\$0.00	\$7,250,000 will be requested from Federal and/or State funding sources depending on funding received.	\$4,250,000 2020 Rebuild Illinois	\$750,000
Contingency	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	
Soft Costs (Design, Engineering, & Testing) In Process	\$1,500,000	\$0.00	\$600,000	\$0	\$750,000 2020 Rebuild Illinois & \$150,000 CAP 19-1101	
Total	\$25,000,000	\$12,000,000	\$600,000	\$7,250,000	\$5,150,000	\$750,000

The City of DeKalb intends to utilize three funding sources to complete the project: State, Federal and Local funds. Each funding source will explain the amount of funding currently available and to which portion of the project the funds are allocated towards.

The City's Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility project is divided into four parts:

Part One and Part Two – In Progress:

- Site Selection & Corresponding Master Plan
- Preparation of NEPA document in accordance with FTA regulations
- Cursory Budgetary Cost Estimate
- Facility Schematic and Site Layout
- Detailed Cost Estimate
- FTA Grant Application Assistance

Part Three and Part Four – Future:

- Final Architectural and Engineering Design
- Construction of Facility

State Funding Source

- The City of DeKalb received \$150,000 in an IDOT capital grant in 2019. The 2019 Capital Grant funding will be utilized in Architecture and Engineering portion of Part One and Part Two.
- The City of DeKalb received \$5,000,000 from the State of Illinois Rebuild Illinois Grant Program. \$750,000 of the \$5M will be utilized in the Soft Costs portion of Part One and Part Two while the remaining \$4,250,000 is set aside for the Building Construction phase of Part Three and Part Four.
- The City of DeKalb is requesting \$12,000,000 from the 2021 Rebuild Illinois grant program to assist with future construction costs related to Part Three and Part Four.

Federal Funding Source

- The City of DeKalb currently possesses \$600,000 in Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding dedicated to Part One and Part Two of the Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility RFQ.
- The City of DeKalb will attempt to obtain additional Federal funding from future FTA competitive grants. These grants include 5339b (Bus and Bus Facilities Program grant) and Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant. Any funds received from future FTA grants will be allocated towards Part Three and Part Four.
- The City of DeKalb possesses an FTA 5307 capital grant labelled IL-90-X735 with an amount of \$600,000 allocated towards Part One and Part Two of the Transit Maintenance



and Operations Facility. The ALI attached to this grant is for Architecture and Engineering services.

- There is currently no additional federal grant funding captured for Part Three and Part Four of the Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility project. The city anticipates that Part One and Part Two of the project should be completed in the Fall/Winter of 2022.

Local Funding Source

- The City of DeKalb will utilize \$750,000 in local funds to assist with Part Three and Part Four of the Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility project.





GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION

June 2021


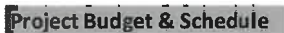

In 2020, as part of the Rebuild Illinois Capital Program, the state of Illinois appropriated funds for the purpose of providing capital grants to downstate public transit agencies. This application has been developed to enable applicable transit agencies to submit their requests for grant funding for the second year of grant awards. To submit your application, please follow the instructions below.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Cells are color-coded for data entry as follows:

	User input via typing or selecting from a dropdown
	Autopopulated cell (based on user input)

This workbook contains six (6) color-coded tabs with forms that collect data for different asset categories as follows:

 Agency & Project Info	Basic information about your agency and the project that you are requesting grant funding for
 Project Budget & Schedule	High-level budget and schedule for the project that you are requesting grant funding for
 Prioritization Questions	Questions that provide information to IDOT on the project to support grant funding decisions

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

When complete, save each application using the format **[Agency Name]_[Project Short Name]_[Date Submitted - MMDDYYYY]**
E.g., Champaign_Expansion Bus_07312021

Submit completed applications to the IDOT Transit Capital Bureau by attaching this file in an email to **DOT.CH.OIPITransitDocs@illinois.gov**

Contact Nicholas Haddad at **Nicholas.Haddad@illinois.gov** for questions about the Rebuild Illinois Program; or Jared Gulbranson at **Jared.Gulbranson@wsp.com** for technical questions about the application form.



GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION

PAGE 1: AGENCY & PROJECT INFORMATION

Applicant Agency Name	City of DeKalb
Agency Type	Urban
Did your agency apply for Rebuild Illinois Transit Capital funding in 2020?	Yes

CONTACT INFORMATION	
Name	Marcus Cox
Title	Transit Manager
Agency	City of DeKalb
Address	1218 Market Street, DeKalb, IL 60115
Phone	815-748-2370
Email	MARCUS.COX@CITYOFDEKALB.COM

Project Type	Facility
Project Name	City of DeKalb Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility
Project location (city/county)	DeKalb, DeKalb County, IL
Total Project Budget	\$25,000,000.00
Total Rebuild Illinois Funding Requested	\$12,000,000.00
Use any other funding requested or committed for this project	This grant request is specific to future construction and contingency funds for the City of DeKalb Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility. The city has
If your agency is submitting multiple projects, please provide a priority ranking for this project	

Provide a detailed project description (500-2000 characters)	<p>The City of DeKalb is requesting an amount of \$12,000,000 in Rebuild Illinois Capital Grant assistance funding from the Illinois Department of Transportation to assist with the architectural, engineering, and construction of a Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility for the DeKalb Urbanized Area. The City of DeKalb and the DeKalb Urbanized Area currently do not have a centralized location for transit assets. The City of DeKalb contracts all fixed route and paratransit services to Transdev Services, Inc. The contracted vendor leases their own facility to perform maintenance, house vehicles, and maintain appropriate staff. The Transdev facility is grossly undersized and requires the city owned fleet and contractor owned fleet to be stored outside. The lack of a transit facility expedites the deterioration of the fleet and requires additional maintenance. The maintenance facility consists of four work bays and one wash bay to support a fleet of approximately 55 revenue and non-revenue vehicles.</p> <p>The city is currently in discussion with an architectural and engineering firm with the intention of beginning the programming and site selection process in September 2021. At the time that a site is identified and approved by local authorities, the architectural and engineering firm will begin the NEPA process and master planning portion of the project. The facility is anticipated to be approximately 100,000 square feet and will use a variety of techniques and approaches to promote sustainability. This will include energy efficient materials, recycled steel, porous pavement materials and permeable UNILOC construction materials, geothermal heating/cooling along with solar power generation technology, high efficiency LED lighting, and modern insulation programs to conserve energy and reduce operating costs.</p>
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Project Status / Readiness - Describe project planning or development efforts completed to prepare your project for rapid implementation	<p>The City of DeKalb has secured all funding necessary to complete the Architecture and Engineering (A&E) phase of the Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility project. The A&E phase is anticipated to be completed in the Summer of 2022. This phase will assist with NEPA, site selection, cursory budgetary cost estimate, and design services. At the conclusion of the A&E process, staff will release a Request for Proposals for construction services to build the Transit Facility. Throughout the A&E process, staff will continue to research and submit applications for additional Federal Transit Administration (FTA) capital grant applications including Rebuilding American Infrastructure With Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) and Buses and Bus Facilities Program (5339(b)). Any funding received</p>
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Use the table below to identify any risks related to your project and mitigation actions.

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Increased Material Prices	Building material prices have increased significantly since the COVID-19 pandemic. This could result in increased costs.	In the event the overall project cost is increased, staff will have to seek out additional funding.
Delay in funding	Experiencing a delay in funding will result in the delay of the project being completed.	Continually seek out funding opportunities such as state and federal funding opportunities.
Delay in Construction	In the event this project cannot be moved forward, certain projects will have to continually be set aside as staff focuses on moving forward with this critical project.	Staff will continue to work diligently on moving forward with this critical project.

Be sure to verify that all numbers match the amounts in the table above: "ERROR" indicates that the numbers do not match.



GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION

PAGE 3: PROJECT SCHEDULE

Provide your key milestone dates to a sufficient level of detail.

Milestone	Brief Description	Forecast Date
Other	City of DeKalb City Council approve the Architecture, Engineering and Design services Request for Qualifications with Stantec. Stantec will assist the City of DeKalb with site	08/23/21
Other	Complete A&E services with Stantec	06/01/22
Other	Begin creating Construction Services RFP (if Rebuild 2021 funding awarded)	12/01/21
Other	Selection of Construction Services RFP (if Rebuild 2021 funding awarded)	12/01/22
Construction Substantial Completion	Construction Completed (pending other funding sources awarded included Rebuild IL 2021)	06/30/25
Estimated Project Completion	Estimated Construction Completed	06/30/25
Construction Final Completion	Acquire necessary equipment. Move equipment, staff, transit service providers into new facility and begin operations.	09/30/25



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PAGE 4: TRANSIT ASSET MANAGEMENT, COORDINATION, & SYSTEM PERFORMANCE

Was the project included in the Capital Needs Assessment?	Yes
If yes, please select your project from the list.	2. Facilities; New Facility; No Facility Currently Exists; \$25000000; 2023; City of DeKalb
CNA Priority Score	-2.10
If this grant request includes more than one CNA project, indicate that here providing identifying information (e.g. VIN, priority score, etc.)	

Is your project identified in a board / commission / council transportation planning document?	Multiple Planning Documents (explain)
Provide documentation, where applicable. Use the space on the right to indicate filenames for your supporting documentation.	This project is included in the TIP and the Long Range Transportation plan.

Does your project replace an existing revenue vehicle, passenger amenities, or equipment to maintain your transit services and customer experience?	No
If yes, provide identification for the asset(s) being replaced (e.g. vehicle VIN, asset ID, etc.).	No current facility.

Does your project improve a facility condition? (i.e. facility rehabilitation, roof replacement, HVAC repair/replace, parking lot repaving, etc.)	No
If yes, provide identification for the asset(s) being replaced (e.g. facility name, asset ID, etc.).	No current facility.



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PAGE 5: NEW OR EXPANDED SERVICES

Does your project include elements that will expand passenger <i>accessibility</i> to transit services? (e.g. ADA improvements, sidewalks to stops, bike/ped connections, customer communication improvements)	Yes
If yes, please explain	Currently, there is not a centralized location for DeKalb Urbanized Area transit riders to seek information, making this a difficult task for riders. Riders are unable to retrieve lost and found items at the City facilities such as City Hall or
Does your project expand <i>mobility</i> choice for passengers? (e.g. fleet expansion for new service, real-time next bus arrival information, mobile fare payment, capital facilities to support new service, etc.)	Yes
If yes, please explain	The City of DeKalb Transit Facility will be built to expand the current fleet. Fleet expansion will enable the service to provide more frequency, new routes and additional destinations.
Does your project improve <i>efficiencies</i> or passenger experience? (e.g. scheduling or dispatch software, safety/security upgrades, passenger amenities, planning tools, etc.)	Yes
If yes, please explain	Having a centralized location where riders are able to access all of their urban transit needs provides a much needed efficiency for the DeKalb Urbanized rider experience.
Does your project include construction of a new facility or service? (e.g. transit centers, bus rapid transit elements, new facilities, vehicle storage facility, fuel/charging station, right-of-way acquisition, etc.)	Yes
If yes, please explain	This project would be for an Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility. This facility would provide enough indoor space to house all of the transit employees and fleet. There would be a fueling station and electric charging



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PAGE 6: INNOVATION & SUSTAINABILITY

Does your project incorporate alternative fuel vehicles or related fueling/charging infrastructure?

Yes

If yes, please explain

The facility will be designed for future vehicle technologies, including design elements allowing for the addition of compressed natural gas and electric fueling stations and electric charging stations. This will improve program

Does your project incorporate sustainable elements (e.g. solar power, recycled materials, alternative fuel vehicles, LEED Certification, geothermal heating, etc.)?

Yes

If yes, please explain

It is anticipated that the Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility will use a variety of techniques and approaches to promote sustainability. The project will employ a number of green building strategies in the design

Does your project include performance base or efficiency improving software/hardware?

Yes

If yes, please explain

The construction of a new facility will allow for the installation of advanced information technology systems that will benefit transit staff and the public that rely on various software and hardware systems. Automatic vehicle